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Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

August 30, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Office communication dated August 19, 2002, the due date for Reply being September 19, 2002, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace the paragraph on page 23, lines 13-25, with the following amended paragraph: